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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97(b), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. These documents were cited in the European Search Report of the corresponding European application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(1)). This is a re-submission of an IDS filed June 15, 2009. Also attached hereto are copies of pertinent pages from the European Search Report bearing the date May 12, 2009. The prior art references were submitted with the earlier IDS filing. The claims patentably distinguish from the listed references.

Copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

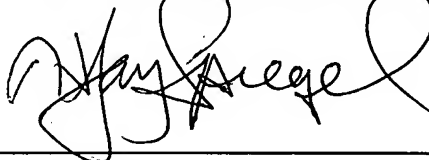
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Also attached is a check in the amount of \$180.00 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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